REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the office action mailed on January 5, 2005, the Examiner set forth an election/ restriction requirement requiring election of either <u>Group I</u>, consisting of claims 1 -8 and 21 – 24 (without incorrect claim 16), or <u>Group II</u>, consisting of claims 9 - 20.

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1 - 8 and 21 - 24), but respectfully traverses the Examiner's restriction with respect to Group II claims.

CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge shortages or credit overpayments to Deposit Account No. 500393.

Respectfully submitted,

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